WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 9505

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served April 19, 2006

Application of ATLAS ELITE LIMOS,) Case No. AP-2006-062 LLC, for a Certificate of Authority) -- Irregular Route Operations)

By application accepted for filing April 7, 2006, Atlas Elite Limos, LLC, a Maryland entity, seeks a certificate of authority for irregular route operations in vehicles with a seating capacity of less than 16 persons only, including the driver.

Applicant's president, Linwood C. Alston, is also president of Atlas International Security & Investigative Services Incorporated, (Atlas International). Atlas International was granted operating authority last year, but the issuance of a certificate of authority was expressly made contingent on applicant filing additional documents. Applicant failed to file the necessary documents in a timely manner, thereby voiding the Commission's approval.

Applicant proposes commencing operations with three limousines. Applicant's proposed tariff contains hourly group charter rates and flat rates for one-way transfers, including rates for transportation to and from Ronald Reagan Washington National and Washington-Dulles International Airports.

According to the application, Atlas International holds passenger carrier authority from the federal government and the state of Maryland. Information available from the Maryland Public Service Commission's website shows that applicant proposes operating three vehicles currently operated by Atlas International. Applicant will be directed to file a written statement explaining how this is consistent with the public interest and how this will be accomplished without violating this Commission's leasing regulations, Regulation No. 62.

¹ See In re Atlas International Security & Investigative Services Incorporated, AP-05-034, Order No. 8760 (June 8, 2005) (conditionally granting Certificate No. 1069).

² See id. (grant of authority void upon applicant's failure to timely satisfy conditions of issuance); Commission Regulation No. 66 (failure to comply with conditions of grant within 180 days voids approval).

This proceeding is hereby initiated to determine whether applicant is fit and whether the proposed transportation is consistent with the public interest.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. That applicant shall publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, no later than May 3, 2006, notice in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission.
- 2. That applicant shall file with the Commission, no later than May 17, 2006, an affidavit that notice has been published as required in the preceding paragraph.
- 3. That applicant shall file with the Commission, no later than May 17, 2006, a written statement explaining how applicant's proposed operation of vehicles currently operated by applicant's affiliate, Atlas International Security & Investigative Services Incorporated, is consistent with the public interest and how this will be accomplished without violating this Commission's leasing regulations, Regulation No. 62.
- 4. That the deadline for filing protests, comments, applications for intervention, and requests for formal hearing is May 17, 2006, and that copies must be served on applicant's director of business development, Collette Katz, 6072 Central Avenue, Capitol Heights, MD 20743.

FOR THE COMMISSION:

William S. Morrow, Jr.

Executive Director